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| For: METHODS FOR COMBATING |) | |
| ISCHEMIC INJURY TO EPITHELIAL |) | |
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Response to Restriction Requirement and Election of Species

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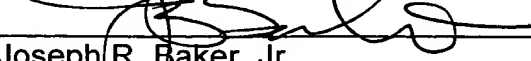
In response to the Restriction Requirement/Election of Species dated January 27, 2005, Applicant elects the species of tunicamycin and geldanamycin (see, e.g., claims 6 and 14). Claims 1-5 and 7-8 are generic to the elected species.

A petition for a 2-month extension of time up to and including April 27, 2005, accompanies the filing of this response. No other fees are believed to be due. Should there be any required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4800, referencing the attorney docket number above.

Respectfully submitted,

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